GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

SD&T Dept., – Technical Education – Monitoring Academic Standards in Government/Government Aided/Private Polytechnics, Pharmacy and Engineering Colleges having Diploma Level Courses – Starting of Academic Audit from the Academic Year 2024-25 – Permission Accorded– Orders – Issued.

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING (TE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.12 Dated:20.05.2024

Read the following:-

1) Andhra Pradesh Education Act, 1982.
2) From the Director of Technical Education, A.P, Mangalagiri Letter No.SBTET/Academic Audit/2023, dated.16.04.2024, received through e-office File No.2399203.

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ORDER:

In the reference 2nd read above the Director of Technical Education, A.P Mangalagiri has reported that, as per Chapter-II, Sec.6(2)(d) of the "Andhra Pradesh Education Act, 1982 (As Amended by A.P. Act No.16 of 2021, w.e.f.06.08.2021) periodical Academic Audit is to be conducted by the State Board of Technical Education & Training, Andhra Pradesh.

2. The Director of Technical Education, A.P has reported that considering the recent changes in "teaching-learning" methodologies and technology impact on pedagogy, a 13-Member Committee comprising Officers from Commissionerate of Technical Education and State Board of Technical Education & Training, Polytechnic Principals and Heads of Department conducted a meeting on 05.10.2023 and discussed on the Policy of implementation in starting the Academic Audit in all Government Polytechnics, Aided Polytechnic, Private Polytechnics, Engineering Colleges offering Diploma Courses and Pharmacy Colleges in the State of Andhra Pradesh from the Academic Year 2023-24.

3. The Director of Technical Education, A.P, has further reported that for the effective "Academic Audit" the Committees consisting branch wise experts **shall visit** the Institutes **at least once in a semester**. The Audit for both Government, Aided and Private Polytechnics and D.Pharmacy Colleges shall be done and as an outcome, each polytechnic will be ranked basing on scores. The conduct of Academic Audit improves the Academic standards of Polytechnics and the ranking of Institutes helps the Public in choosing quality and standard Polytechnic during Admissions. The Academic Audit insists the Institutes to maintain record of Academic activities, which helps for the NBA accreditation.

4. Government, after careful examination of the matter hereby accord permission to the Director of Technical Education, A.P Mangalagiri and the Secretary, State Board of Technical Education & Training, A.P to take up Academic Audit to monitor the Academic standards in the Government/Government Aided/Private Polytechnics, Pharmacy and Engineering Colleges having Diploma Level Courses in the State of A.P and keep the information on the standards of Polytechnics in the Public domain for the Public reference. The academic audit process should be transparent and shall be done through a software application which should continuously update data in the public domain in an online mode. State Board of Technical Education & Training, A.P may grade the Government/Government Aided/Private Polytechnics, Pharmacy and Engineering Colleges having Diploma Level Courses, together to help the stake holders in choosing Institutes at the time of admissions. The academic audit should help the institutes in getting the NBA accreditation.

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5. The Secretary, State Board of Technical Education & Training, A.P is directed to Constitute Academic Audit Committees comprising Senior Faculty of Government Polytechnics as branch-wise expert members and the Government Polytechnic Principal as Chairperson. The Committees shall inspect the Government/Government Aided/Private Polytechnics, Pharmacy and Engineering Colleges having Diploma Level Courses, once in a Semester/ Year and thoroughly audit the Institutes in the following areas:

- Teaching process
- Learning process
- Sufficiency in faculty strength and their work-load optimization
- Activities in Innovation club/ cell
- Industrial Training
- Social & cultural activities
- Quality of Mentoring
- Industry-connect in view of placements and knowledge sharing
- Infrastructure for effective Academic activity
- Participation of Institute in co-curricular activities like tech-fests, sports meets and Alumni meets etc.

6. The Director of Technical Education, A.P Mangalagiri and the Secretary, State Board of Technical Education & Training, A.P shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. SURESH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To,
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The Chairperson, State Board of Technical Education & Training, A.P, Mangalagiri
The Secretary, State Board of Technical Education & Training, AP, Mangalagiri

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